

THE KALAMAZOO FLYING SAUCER STUDY CLUB BULLETIN NO. 15--JAN. 1958

BULLETIN TO HAVE NEW LOOK!

With this issue the writer Bill Maier bows out as editor and assumes the duties of associate editor. The reason? - well 'Life Must be Good in Kalamazoo' because our former secretary Hilda Buck has returned from California to take over the duties of editor, a job I am certain she will do well.

She will be assisted by a new Bulletin staff consisting of Bill Maier, associate editor; Norma Smothers, production; Rae Simbulan, circulation; Ed Hinckley, art illustration and reporters, YOU!!

If you have news clippings from out-of-town newspapers or have had a recent sighting, please call Mrs. Buck at FI 5-1447 or Bill Maier at FI 4-8679 or send them to the Bulletin c/o 630 Marion Ave.

The value of clippings from out-of-town papers is that saucer news is seldom repeated on the newswire services.

Also wanted are photos of UFO's. Do you know of someone who has taken snapshots of UFO's or flying saucers? If so we would like to know about it. We feel that there have perhaps been lots of photos taken by people who have not bothered to send them to a magazine for publication. It is these persons whom we would like to contact if we knew who they are..

We would prefer good clear shots for letterpress reproduction in the Bulletin, but would be interested in any taken in Michigan whether clear or not for use on our Bulletin board.

HELP AGAIN! We still need a permanent office and workshop for the Bulletin staff. Does anyone have or know of a place we can use? Our finances are limited, so we dare ask your assistance again so that we can continue to bring you a better Bulletin through better utilization of the staff's time with a workmanlike setup. Any unused room, basement, heated garage or breezeway will do if it has room for a mimeograph machine and an essembly table.

Incidently, this is the last issue being sent to those who have not indicated their desire to continue receiving it. The next meeting will be the dead line for requesting continuance.

JANUARY 24TH. MEETING

The January meeting will be used to catch up on the news, to numerous to mention here. It will feature the Adrian, Mich. and Ohio flaps on tape as related at the Detroit meeting on withhold- ing UFO information. We will also hear of the first daylight sight- ing reported of a solid dark object in this vicinity by one of our own group. A review of "Flying Saucer Pilgrimage" will also be pre- sented.

BOARD MEETING * JAN. 6TH.

By action of the board, it was decided inasmuch as the duties of hostess are not administrative in nature, this position was dis- continued as a board function. It was also decided due to the growth of our group an additional hostess, Joyce Mainous, will act as co-hostess with Pat Kuplicki.

It has been found advisable to add a board member in charge of publicity, which we feel has been needed for some time. Norm Smothers will take on this responsibility.

UFOs NOT TAKEN LIGHTLY BY MICHIGAN'S REPRESENTATIVES

Listed below are portions of some of the replies received from Michigan's senators and congressmen to a letter written by the Detroit U.F.O. Research Group as signed by Mr. Alan P. Rowe, director of research, DUFORG. In the letter, Mr. Rowe plainly indicated that the U.S. Air Force is withholding information on unidentified flying objects from the American public 'for reasons unknown! Further, Mr. Rowe called for 'a serious consideration (of the investigation of unidentified flying objects) by governmental agencies other than the investigation now being conducted by our Air Force.' Here are some of the replies:

"I wish to thank you for your letter...and the interest you have shown in the subject which is vital to the interests of our nation.. I assure you that when Congress reconvenes I will be glad to do everything possible so that the public is more fully informed of the developments in this field."

-Thaddeus M. Machrowicz
Rep., Fifth District, 12/2/57

"Thank you for your letter... regarding your Research Group. I appreciate having the views of your group on unidentified flying objects, and have referred this matter to the Department of Defense."

-John D. Dingell
Rep., 15th District, 12/10/57

"This will acknowledge your letter concerning the withholding of information by the Air Force with regard to their investigation of "unidentified flying objects". You may be sure that I appreciate your calling on me to do everything I can to have such information released to the public."

-Martha W. Griffiths
Rep., 17th District, 12/9/57

"I appreciate hearing from you with respect to public information in the field of unidentified flying objects...In every effort to be of assistance...I have requested of the appropriate authorities a report and will be pleased to advise you when this has been received.. From the information which has reached me from several sources, including your group, I am inclined to believe the entire problem should be reviewed by the Committee on Armed Services and representations to that effect are underway."

-Senator Charles E. Potter, 12/6/57

"Thank you for your letter regarding "unidentified flying objects." This has been a matter of considerable interest for some time, and it probably will continue to be in the future. I certainly do not scoff at those who have a serious interest in this field, and I have asked the Air Force about it on a couple of occasions. From what I get, however, there is no attempt to "cover up" by the Air Force. There simply appears to be nothing tangible to get hold of. As long as UFO's are reported, however, the Air Force will continue to investigate. I am sure that efforts in this direction are completely honest."

--Pat. McNamara, Senator, 12/4/57

"Thank you for your letter... in which you describe the activities of your group. I have contacted the House Subcommittee on Government Information which has been investigating the policies and procedures of government agencies with respect to the release of information to the American public..Enclosed for your information is a copy of the reply I have received..."

-John Lesinski

Rep., 16th District, 12/10/57

Ed.: The letter sent to Rep. Lesinski from the House Subcommittee on Government Information is as follows:

"Dear Colleague: Thank you for bringing to the attention of the House Government Information Subcommittee comments from your district on the availability of information about unidentified flying objects. ... The House Government Information subcommittee recently has intensified its study of the availability of scientific and technological information... Although it is unlikely that the Subcommittee's study will include the question of information on unidentified flying objects, you may be sure that if this question becomes a part of the investigation and hearings, it will be studied as exhaustively and objectively as possible."

s/John E. Moss, Chairman

"Thank you for sharing with me the views of your Group concerning the "Unidentified flying objects" phenomena. I am informed by the House Armed Services Committee that this matter is not currently an issue before that body. However, I wish to assure you of my interest in this subject and that I shall follow developments closely. For your information, I am enclosing a copy of the latest "Fact Sheet," dated November 5, 1957, which the Department of Defense has released on the "Air Force's 10 Year Study of Unidentified Flying Objects."

-Charles C. Diggs, Jr.

Rep., 13th District, 12/10/57

Through the 'Visitors' kind permission the preceding is a reprint from the Nov.-Dec. '57 issue. Through these letters we can obtain some insight into how our government officials are responding to inquiries on withholding information from the public. Serious UFO researchers believe it should not be withheld if not endangering national security. Their words are a partial basis on which you may judge for yourself if they are brush-off form letters, or, if the person writing will actually act in seeing that Mr. Rowe's request is carried out in the manner we would like to see it done. If you feel that any letter is a buck passer, why don't YOU write and tell that person why you think so. IT IS TIME TO ACT! Your elected officials are your government. If only a few bother to let them know how they feel, then, we will have to depend on their wisdom alone in guiding our destiny. We need to know more to continue our objective research. Let us not assume that the government has all the facts. The many research groups throughout the world have a great wealth of material that has been collected with an open mind unrestricted by government red tape 9"the super intellect who in his minds eye believes his knowledge is so great that it could not be

improved upon.

In Kent Cooper's book "The Right to Know" he states some very important facts which the people and government officials of all levels, national, state and local, should remember:

1. Confidence and loyalty thrive where people have the Right to Know;

2. There is no greater inducement to patriotic achievement than that which springs from a peoples own convictions, based, not upon a vulnerable unilateral propaganda line, but on full information on all sides of every question; and

3. Governmental power, backed by a force thus intelligently engendered in the individual, is unassailable because, through full availability to the news, an equal partnership, between the government and the individual in the country's welfare is established, based upon respect for the latter's Right to Know a policy which stands for human justice in its finest flower.

(from the book The Right to Know, by Kent Cooper; an exposition of the evils of news suppression and propaganda.

Frankly Speaking:

LET'S TAKE A GOOD LOOK IN THE MIRROR

"Saucer fans"...have you looked at yourselves in the mirror lately? I mean are you carefully examining the ideas you are expressing and these same ideas in which you seem to believe in so wholeheartedly? Let's analyze ourselves! Are we really wise in believing everything that is ascribed to our so-called 'space brothers'? Are we listening to these so-called 'truths' without proper discrimination?...

We must realize that today we are living in a social environment that creates a constant pressure or tension upon all of us.. try as we may to escape it. Perhaps it is well, within certain limits, to take our minds off of our everyday troubles and escape occasionally, via mental projection, to some beautiful utopian world,--one free of any immediate needs or demands..and perhaps it is good to give one's imagination a 'work-out'...where would the world be without the gift of imagination? Yet, we cannot allow our daydreams to get the upper hand over our common-sense!

This flying saucer rage that seems to have hit us with such an impressive force, is certainly a test to our power of controlling our imagination. These trouble-free worlds where peace and brotherly love abound to an inexplicable degree of joy..as we have been repeatedly told..would be so nice to live in, forever and ever. How nice it would be to escape into another solar system, for example, where the labors of life are at the extreme minimum, where every need is satisfied, where the creative spirit impregnates every human activity..and the feeling of harmony dominates every human affair. This idea may become obsessive, and we pass into a distorted world of illusion, expecting the 'benevolent space brothers' to cure our every ill and remedy all of our problems.

By taking this attitude, we lose our individuality...our very personality slowly disintegrates...we lose our sense of balance between reality and fancy. Should we not realize the fact that we must solve our own problems? ? Let's stop looking to the outside for a saviour to our self-made dilemmas...and begin to look within...take stock of ourselves...make an honest effort first at solving our own shortcomings...and perhaps then be prepared to meet those beings from other worlds closer to their own level.

Al David, staff reporter-VISITOR

FLYING SAUCERS ON TV JANUARY 22 nd.!!!

Up until the time of publication we have not been able to secure information from CBS, New York, describing a program to be presented by the Armstrong Circle Theater. It will be presented on Jan. 22nd. by WKZO TV at 10:00 P. M. From the advance advertising we gather that this will be a show of great interest. We certainly hope so!

Incidentally a number of TV shows have used the flying saucer for the basis of their programs recently. They were Mystery Theater, Jack Diamond Detective, and the Phil Silver's Show.

NEW BOOK

INSIDE SAUCER POST...3-0 BLUE, by Leonard H. Stringfield. In "Inside Saucer Post...3-0 Blue", CRIFO opens its files to tell the "inside" story of its "saucer post" operations. Written for both layman and the advanced student, "Saucer Post" is an essential primer for spaceward-thinking people. All the "old saws" of controversy are aired, but of greater importance is the author's candid review of the "silenced" issues behind which mankind is plunging into a new and strange cold war.

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The Newswires Show Their	and Otherwise
Hand---And Sissors	The Norwood Searchlight Incident
Behind The Local Muzzle	Balancing the Evidence
The Case Against Censorship	Saucer Sancta -- 801 and 4E4
The Spoils of Silence	The "Monster" Under the Lid
The Dance of "Life"	The Problem of Panic
The Highest Wall in the	
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